

Jacob Wood of Salina Serves as Congressional Intern with Moran

SALINA - Congressman Jerry Moran today announced that Jacob Wood is serving as a congressional intern in his Salina office. Wood is a 2002 graduate of Bennington High School.

"Just back from serving his country in Iraq as part of the Army Reserves, Jacob brings to the office the perspective of someone who has been there and seen the war in Iraq firsthand," Moran said. "It is an honor to have Jacob working in my office on behalf of Kansans."

As a sophomore in college, Wood joined the U.S. Army Reserves and was assigned to the 531st Movement Control Team stationed in Manhattan. Just months after finishing his bachelor's degree, Wood was deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He served overseas for one year and was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal, which is the tenth highest award given to members of the military. Wood is still a member of the U.S. Army Reserves where he serves at the rank of 2nd Lieutenant.

Wood graduated from Kansas State University in May 2006 with a bachelor's degree in social science. He is currently pursuing a master's of public administration from K-State and hopes to work in state or local government after completing his degree.

"I have always had an interest in government and this internship has strengthened my desire to become a public servant," Wood said. "Working with Kansans and helping them has been a rewarding and fulfilling experience."

In the office, Wood assists Moran with legislative and administrative duties on behalf of the people of Kansas.

Jacob is the son of Dana Wood of Olathe and Sherri Kohman of Abilene.

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